Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon *(Cheruthuruthi):* May I know whether both these kinds were not being sold at Rs. 5—4—0?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):* There is defferent price for both white and yellow.

Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon *(Cheruthuruthi):* My point is, the quota given by the Burma Shell Company Shorannur during the first month was 180 tins. Have the Government enquired what was done with it?

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Have the Government made arrangements for retailing kerosene in the rural areas in the Chittur Taluk?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):* Yes.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Have the Government received complaints that the rural areas in the Chittur Taluk have not been receiving kerosene?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):* I have received complaints that they want more oil, not that they had not been receiving oil at all.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* It is not a question of asking for more. Are the Government in receipt of complaints that arrangements have not been made in certain rural areas in the Chittur Taluk to distribute the oil?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):* I do not remember to have received any.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamanglam):* In view of the coming harvest may I know whether Government will kindly see that certain arrangements are made for the distribution of kerosene oil to the agriculturists there.

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):* I will try to give as much as possible.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Will you kindly increase the quota for Nemmara, because there is a real complaint?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):* I will look into it.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamanglam):* What is the basis on which the rationing of kerosene oil is allowed to houses in rural areas?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):* The available quota will be distributed among the number of houses.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamanglam):* May I know whether there is any objection to allow a man kerosene oil if he has a card for rice.

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):* To those who possess ration cards and to those who do not possess ration cards, we issue kerosene.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamanglam):* May I know whether Government cannot arrange for supply of more oil to Chittur by taking necessary order to take oil from Trichur instead of from Palghat.

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):* The district quota is given to the district alone. It is not possible to transfer the quota of one district to another district.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* It is not possible, that is what you say.

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):* The companies do not allow that. The quota of one taluk cannot be taken to another taluk. In fact we have written again and again in the matter.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* I may be allowed to club the question numbers 58 and 59 together.

Mr. President: Yes. It can be clubbed together.

ADDITIONAL DISTRICT COURTS

58. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what is the number of additional District Courts now working in the State;

(*b*) how long were they working inclusive of 1118?

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):*

(*a*) One.

(*b*) Working from 15th Mithunam 1118.

ORIGINAL SUITS AND APPEALS—PARTICULARS OF

59. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what is the number of appeals pending which are over 1 year old, two years old and more than two years old in the two District Courts of the State;

(*b*) what is the number of original suits of the nature in (*a*) in the two District Courts of the State?

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